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## BARGAINS!

We are now ready with a large line of stylish, well-made

## ALL-WOOL SUITS,

which will be sold at the low price of  
**\$10.00 PER SUIT.**

A CHOICE LINE OF

## NOBBY SUITS, FOR YOUTHS AND BOYS,

From the cheapest to the best.

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## STRAW HATS, Cheap.

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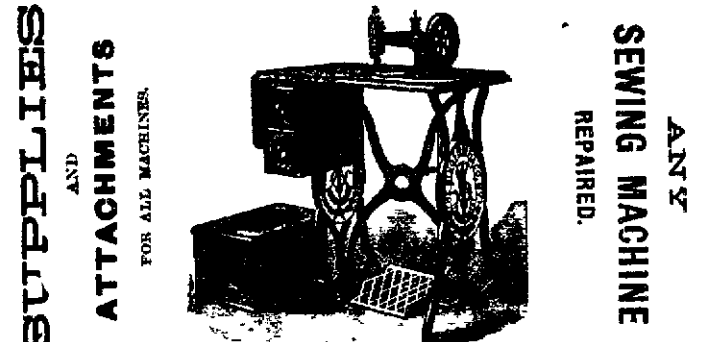
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April 28--d&wt

## STEP IN AT THE New Singer Office,

53 Opera Block, North Water St.



EVERYTHING FOR THE SEWING MACHINE.

## GEO. P. BLUME.

## IRON ROOFING.

SMITH, HALDEMAN & CHANDLER'S

## Combined Cap and Anchor Iron Roofing.

It is WATER-PROOF.  
It is FIRE-PROOF.  
It is LIGHTNING-PROOF.

It is more durable than tin or slate, and cheaper than either. It is suitable for any style of building.

MANUFACTURED AT THE

Corner of Water and Cerro Gordo Streets,  
Where orders will be received and promptly executed by

## ROBERT McCLELLAND.

April 15--d&wt

## N. BOMMERSBACH, FLORIST!

Greenhouses on Cemetery St.

All kinds of Seasonable Flowering and Foliage Plants on hand at all times.

BOUQUETS made on short notice.

CUT FLOWERS arranged in any style.

FLORAL DESIGNS furnished on order, and

FOLIAGE BEDS made for patrons without extra charge. Come and see me.

N. BOMMERSBACH.

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D. C. CORLEY,

ATTORNEY AT LAW

AND NOTARY PUBLIC.

Office over Ender's Drug Store, East Main St., Decatur, Illinois. Will give strict attention to all legal business.

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### USEFUL HINTS.

**RED WASH FOR BRICKS.**—To remove the green that gathers on bricks pour over them boiling water in which any vegetable not greasy have been boiled. Repeat for a few days, and green will disappear. For the red wash melt one ounce of glue in one gallon water; while hot add alum size of egg, one-half pound Venetian red, one pound Spanish brown. Try it; if too light, add more red and brown. If too dark, water it.

**TO PAINT AN OLD HOUSE.**—Take three gallons water and one pint flaxseed; boil half an hour; take it off and add water enough to make four gallons; let it stand to settle; pour off the water in a pail, and put in enough of Spanish white to make it as thick as whitewash; then add one-half pint linseed oil; stir it well and apply with a brush. If the whitening does not mix readily add more water. Flaxseed, having the nature of oil, is better than glue, and will not wash off as readily.

**TO SOFTEN THE HANDS.**—One can have the hands in soap with soft soap without injury to the skin, if the hands are dipped in vinegar or lemon juice immediately after. The acids destroy the correlative effects of the alkali and make the hands soft and white. Indian meal and vinegar or lemon juice used on hands when roughened by cold or labor will heal and soften them. Rub the hands in this; then wash off thoroughly and rub in glycerine. Those who suffer from chapped hands will find this comforting.

**STAINING WOOD.**—Apple, pear, and walnut wood, if fine-grained, may be stained black by the following process. Boil in a glazed or enameled iron vessel with water four ounces of ground gallnuts, one ounce of logwood chips, and half ounce each of gamboge and crystals of verdigris. Filter while warm, and brush the wood over with this rapidly. Dry and brush over with strong cold solution of acetate of iron, and dry. Repeat this several times, and finally dry in an oven at a moderate temperature, and oil or varnish.

**TO WASH WHITE LACE ROSES.**—Have a quart bottle covered with linen, stitched smoothly to fit the shape. Begin at the bottom and wind the lace about it, basting fast at both edges, even the minutest points, to the linen. Wash on the bottom of the bottle, and rinse by plunging in a pail of clear water, and boil as you would a white handkerchief, bottle and all. Set in the hot sun to dry. When quite dry, clip the basting threads and use the lace without ironing. If neatly basted on, it will look nearly as well as new--if not quite.

**WASHING MADE EASY.**—I soak my clothes over night; in the morning I fill my washbowl half full of water, and place it on the stove to heat, throwing in a handful of soft soap, or about two ounces of hard; I then wring out the soaked clothes, soap up the dirty parts by this time the water is hot; put them in and let them boil fifteen minutes, stirring often; I now take out and put them in cold water, wash out the suds; if any dirt remains, give it a few rubs and it is gone. I use them as usual, and wash of water, and my clothes are as white and clean as those that have gone through a long process of rubbing. I have washed my clothes this way for ten years, and they have never turned yellow.

### The Duke's Death.

"Kneel here by my side, Lurline," and in obedience to the summons, a beautiful girl flung herself in an agony of grief near the bed on which lay the eighth Duke of Twenty-second street, Rupert Rollingsstone. Rupert was dying--dying away out on the West Side. A cold had developed into a quick consumption. The doctor, who had made known his presence while Rupert was at the house of a friend on Larkin street, "You can not live more than a week," the doctor had said. "But my people," cried the sick man, in an agony of fear; "they are on Twenty-second street, and too poor to hire a carriage. How shall I see them?" and he wrung his hands in an agony of despair.

"It can not be done, my lass," said the street-railway superintendent, looking down kindly into Lurline's face. "I would gladly do what might ease the last moments of a dying man, but I can not accomplish impossibilities. A car from Twenty-second street to the corner of Larkin and Van Buren in five days? By my halloo, you jest bravely, again, and picking up a pair of shears, he again resumed his occupation of cutting coupons from government bonds. When Lurline had knelt by the dying man, he turned to her and spoke, "Lurline, my darling," he said. "I am dying down. I shall soon be in the sweet pretty quick. But ere I start, I want you to make me one promise--a sacred one--that you will keep forever. Name it," said the girl, in a sob-choked voice. "Whenever you are in a hurry, avoid the street car." "I promise," was the reply. Rupert's face lit up with a sweet, peaceful smile. "Good-bye, my angel." "Fare you well," was the faint response, as the girl's head fell on his breast amid a storm of sobs. "I see heaven," murmured the dying man. "I know it is heaven, because there are lots of street cars, and they run every three minutes. Rupert was dead.--Chicago Tribune.

### The New and the Old.

"Oh, papa," said little Tommy the other day, "didn't you say there was nothing new under the sun?" "Yes, my boy, the philosophers say so," "Well, look under me," went on the young hopeful, getting up off of the old gentleman's brain new silk hat. "That's something new under the sun, ain't it?" The next thing the boy knew there was something old under the son, and it was his father's boot, with a foot in it.--Lampoon.

Crows have been known to go to roost with the barnyard fowls during a cold storm.

If you want to see ALL THE LEADING STYLES IN STRAW AND FUR HATS, Cheap Charley's is the place to find them. mil-d&wt

BUSKINS, broad and soft, just the thing for old ladies, at BARBER & BAKER'S. April 15--d&wt

LEAVE orders at Cole Bros' drug store, at the New Denning and St. Nicholas hotels for Linber's carriages and omnibuses. Also send orders by telephone to the office on South Main street. Calls made at all hours of the day and night. Passengers and baggage transferred to and from all trains and to all parts of the city promptly. Nov-2-d&wt

ORDER soft nut coal of F. D. Caldwell and he will deliver it to you nicely screened. Office with American Express Co. March 23--d&wt

OUR stock of SPRING and SUMMER CLOTHING is complete in all departments, and the largest of its kind in the west. mil-d&wt

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### Wash Jones' Boom.

Very few people who read a newspaper have any idea of how much trouble it is to get it into shape. For an editor to do himself and his subject justice, he must not be disturbed while incubating the editorial egg that is to develop into a full-fledged editorial. If he is disturbed on his nest or has to leave it, that egg will not hatch, which is a grievous disappointment not only to the editor, but likewise to the reading public. We were incubating yesterday the subject of "Wash Jones' Boom in Texas," but owing to various and sundry interruptions, we propose to explain our editorial failure to hatch out. We had to fling it in the waste basket.

It was nine o'clock in the morning. The printers were about out of copy, so we had to write in a hurry. That in itself is enough to make a journalist nervous and incapable of collecting his thoughts. It was rather chilly outside, and every visitor who opened the door left it open, which is another element of distraction.

We began to write, and had got as far as, "Just at this political..." when the door opens and lets in a tidal wave, and a gentleman with a large roll of manuscript under his arm. We act as if we do not see him. He introduces himself as Col. Byron McScribbler. He says: "I have about concluded to allow your paper to publish this little poetic gem." We tell him we are very busy, and for him to shut the door. We came very near telling him to shut it from the outside.

"I would like to read you a few cantos,"

"Haven't got time now--printers are waiting for copy."

McScribbler (persuasively).--"Suppose you give them this little gem of mine to set up," and he lays the bundle on the desk. We say "no" very emphatically. He says he will leave it for us to peruse at our leisure, and to be very careful of it, as he would not take \$5,000 for it. It is published he will pay cash for ten copies. The poet goes out and leaves the door open. We wash the bundle off into the waste basket, and resume our labors on the "Wash Jones' Boom."

"Have you any copy ready?" asks the foreman.

Before we have a chance to tell him to go to Halifax, the door opens and lets in an Arctic wave and Col. Huffy.

"Look! here! My advertisement was not at the head of the column and next to reading matter last week. That won't do."

We cease our labors on "Wash Jones' Boom," and tell Col. Huffy that his ad. will be fixed up all right. He next wants a copy of the Buntown Banner of December 19. He expects us to stop booming up Wash Jones, and hunt for the Buntown Banner of December 19. We tell him we are too busy right then to do so. Col. Huffy puts his hat on the side of his head, and says: "When the time of my advertisement expires, please discontinue it, ash, and stop my paper." He goes out and leaves the door open. We have left a three dollar advertisement owing to "Wash Jones' Boom."

Foreman--"Is that editorial ready?"

The printers, having no copy, stand around and look at us as wolves are supposed to do when they congregated around a dying bird on the prairie. Once we began to write--"Just at this crisis in the political history..."

Hark! What dreadful noise is that! It sounds as if a horse and dray were coming up the stairs. The door is burst open, and in comes a giant, puffing and blowing, particularly blowing. It is that large sized German drummer from Galveston. He is six and a half feet high, weighs four or five hundred pounds, and is as jolly as drummers usually are. He roars out, as he summons, "Dot article about der drummer, in your last Texas Siftings, was choost splendid. I dakes twenty-five copies. Come mit me right away and join der sons of temperance," and he winks convivially.

"Don't you see these printers are waiting for something to set up."

"I sets 'em up myself," says our friend and seizing us by the arm, right where it is vaccinated, he drags us to the door with great difficulty, notwithstanding his superior physical strength.

Foreman--"We would like to have something to set up while you are gone."

"Set up the Bible or the ten commandments, or a chapter from Governor Roberts' book on Texas, or anything else the people has not read yet," we reply as we put the big drummer out of the office, and go along with him.

We hope now that our readers understand why it is so difficult for us to get up a newspaper boom for Wash Jones and the independent movement in Texas. --Texas Siftings.

WARNER'S Safe Kidney and Liver Cure.

9-d&wt

PROMPT relief in sick headache, dizziness, nausea, constipation, pain in the side, etc., guaranteed to those using Carter's Little Liver Pills. One pill a dose. 25 cents. Sold by Hallbard & Swearingen.

Hoetry.

Thousands of boxes, embracing the most complete stock of any retail house in Central Illinois. New, fresh and every way superior goods. Cheap Store. No 18 Merchants st. 11-d&wt

Sing, O Sing That Song Again

How can you when you cough at every breath? Why get a bottle of Dr. Bigelow's Positive Cure, and you will be answered. It cures colds, coughs, consumption, whooping cough, and all diseases of the lungs, and it will cost you nothing to test it if you call at Dr. A. J. Stoner's drug store.

They have come! the finest line of kilt suits ever seen in Decatur, at the Popular One Price Clothing and Merchant Tailoring House, corner of Old Square. April 20--d&wt

If you want mill feed, corn or oats, you can be supplied at Shellabarger's. Dec. 18--d&wt

COLORS Silks just received, in various shades, especially for us, and will be sold cheap. LENO & SORCROS. Feb-22-d&wt

See the grand display of Spring and Summer Clothing at

mil-d&wt

CHAP CHARLEY'S.

We will sell Black and Colored Silks CHEAPER THAN ANY MERCHANT IN DECATUR CAN BUY THEM ON SPECIAL ORDERS. Make a note of this, as Linn & Scruggs are responsible for what they say. Feb-13-d&wt

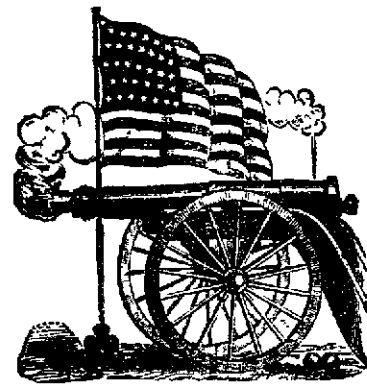
This style for pants are tight and devoid of spring, but Fleury, the French Cutter, puts them up to order to suit the customers, and guarantees a fit and satisfaction. [April 20--d&wt]

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It requires no guns loaded with wind and puff balls to convey the fact to the people of Decatur and 25 to 50 miles around, that



## B. STINE,

THE BOSS CLOTHIER,

Carries the Largest, Best Selected Stock of

SPRING AND SUMMER

## CLOTHING!

For Men, Youths, Boys and Children.

This truth can be easily established by a mere glance over our Shelves and Counters.

150 feet of store-room by 22, up-stairs and down, is necessary to place this IMMENSE STOCK. Both stores connected by a Spiral Stair Case.

With all the blowing and puffing, indulged in by our would-be competitors, it remains an indisputable fact well known to every resident in Decatur, that the increase in our trade from year to year has made it necessary to Enlarge our Store, and at present we occupy more space than any Clothing House in Decatur.

## To Our Friends and Customers We would Say

Please look through the stocks of our competitors, see us before you buy, and we will abide by your judgment.

## B. STINE,

THE "BOSS" CLOTHIER.

April 26, 1882--d&wt



## WOODEN WEDDING!

This means the Fifth Anniversary of

## "CHEAP CHARLEY"

UNITING HIMSELF WITH THE WELFARE OF DECATUR

As a reminder, we have provided from our Factory in this city SOME IMMENSELY LARGE WOODEN BOXES containing

## THE FIRST SHIPMENT

OF OUR

## SPRING STOCK!

Since our coming to Decatur our principal aim was to make friends by treating others as we wanted to be treated ourselves. We have succeeded, and will continue in the future, as in the past, to be worthy of the patronage bestowed upon us for the "Cheap Charley."

MANUFACTURING OUR OWN GOODS

We have facilities WHICH CANNOT BE OVERCOME BY ANY COMPETITOR and now stand standing all contributions by our opposition.

We Stand at the Head of the Clothing Trade

For GOOD QUALITY, STYLE, FIT AND LOW PRICES!

Our Hat and Cap, as well as Gents' Furnishing Goods Department, is complete.

## CHEAP CHARLEY.



Owing to the rains of the past week, preventing country people from coming to town, and wanting to give them an equal chance with city trade, we have decided to continue our sales of

# "DOMESTIC" SEWING MACHINES AT COST!

UNTIL THE 25th. Remember that now is your time to buy a FIRST CLASS Sewing Machine cheaper than you ever will again. Stock on hand is small. First come, first served.

## J. T. HAND & CO.,

Agents "LIGHT RUNNING DOMESTIC."

May 15 d10t



There was a heavy fall of snow in Northern Georgia Sunday night.

A New York dispatch states that to-day's specie shipments for Europe will amount to \$3,500,000.

The army worm is reported to have invaded the wheat fields in Union county, Southern Illinois, doing much damage.

The Tennessee state senate, on Monday passed the bill to fund the state debt at 60 cents, and 2, 4, 5 and 6 per cent interest. The vote stood 14 to 11. The bill will probably also pass the lower house.

The river and harbor bill now before congress appropriates in the aggregate \$17,342,570, including \$925,000 for improving the Missouri river, \$4,925,000 for improving the Mississippi river, and \$750,000 for miscellaneous work upon those two streams.

Secretary Chandler paid \$100 for a cup of coffee at the recent Garfield Memorial Fair in the rotunda at the National Capitol. The coffee was excellent, but the secretary of the navy didn't pass his cup the second time.

The number of immigrants landed at Castle Garden, New York, Monday, was greater than on any day this year, and, with one exception, higher than upon any single day on record. The aggregate was 6,741, and they were all brought by seven steamers.

Mr. William Henry Rawls, the republican candidate for supreme judge of Pennsylvania, was annoyed and considerably chagrined on Thursday when he learned that he had been unwittingly interviewed by a newspaper reporter and made to say that Senator Cameron's politics were "damnable." Mr. Rawls stated to a Philadelphia Record reporter that he never said anything of the kind, but that he had said Mr. Cameron was behind the age in his political methods.

Chicago elevators, as per official returns, contain 3,011,184 bushels of wheat, 1,321,594 bushels of corn, 185,310 bushels of oats, 190,894 bushels of rye, and 44,282 bushels of barley, making a grand total of 4,753,214 bushels, against 5,450,840 bushels a week ago, and 10,542,496 bushels at this period last year.

Milwaukee warehouses are stored with 863,659 bushels of wheat, 24,039 bushels of corn, 500 bushels of oats, 63,186 bushels of rye, and 20,107 bushels of barley.

New York and Brooklyn warehouses are stored with 1,500,500 bushels of wheat, 781,628 bushels of corn, 244,739 bushels of oats, 122,140 bushels of rye, and 915 bushels of barley.

Grain in sight in the States and Canada on the 6th inst. Wheat, 10,314,000 bushels; corn, 8,898,000 bushels; oats, 2,063,000 bushels; rye, 1,069,000 bushels; barley, 414,000 bushels.

Exports from seaboard ports last week. Flour, 45,405 bushels; wheat, 282,588 bushels; corn, 3,376,226 bushels; oats, 4,112 bushels; rye, 46,052 bushels; pork, 4,374 barrels; lard, 3,888,020 pounds; bacon, 6,023,000 pounds.

The people of Colorado are now nightly gazing at the new comet, which is visible there without the aid of a glass. Sunday's Denver Tribune says:

On any clear night the comet can be seen in Denver, without the aid of a glass, in the northern sky 30 degrees above the horizon, about 8 o'clock in the evening.

The tail of the comet cannot now be seen, but as the luminous body is rapidly approaching the East it will soon assume proportions which will make it a brilliant object of study and observation. The comet was first visible to Denverites on Thursday night, but was not observed, on account of partially cloudy weather.

The political work to be done in this state is shown at a glance by the appended list of officers to be elected the coming fall.

A state treasurer.

Twenty representatives in congress.

Twenty-five senators in the legislature.

One hundred and fifty-three representatives in the legislature.

Virtually two United States senators.

County judges, treasurers, clerks, sheriffs, coroners, superintendents of schools, and a probate judge and five commissioners, in addition, in Cook county.

The production of butter and cheese in this country is said to be four times greater in value than the total yield of all our gold and silver mines.

No tally necessary to sell Stiles all wool \$10 Buile.

GO BACK TO THE LAND.

Mr. Philip Armour, the well known Chicago pork packer, has just received 800 packages of salted meats from Antwerp, Belgium, and has 1,500 more on the way back. These goods were shipped abroad, and have been returned to be sold on this water, simply because they will net half a cent a pound more profit than could be obtained in Belgium.

Other words, our meats are worth more for home consumption than they will bring in foreign markets.

The trouble is that we are not producing enough in this country for our own needs, let alone undertaking to supply the balance of mankind. The population of our cities is increasing so rapidly and the rural population is not keeping pace therewith. The cost of living is each day becoming greater, because the trades and professions are over-run. The result is strikes and general discontent. Farmers' sons are deserting the plow to help swell the great mass of the unemployed in the already over-crowded towns. Abundant crops one year produce a temporary relief, but let blight and drought follow and everybody is pinched except the agriculturist. He receives more for his labor than formerly, and smiles and is contented. It remains to be seen whether the young men and women of this generation will learn anything from a review of these facts.

One reason for this condition of affairs is found in the fact that our education is more poetical than practical. Labor is looked upon as drudgery. The girl who learns to cook and sew is frowned upon rather than encouraged, while the lad who does not aspire to become a doctor, merchant, teacher, or something of that sort, is looked upon as slow. It does not seem to enter into the account that life is after all only worth the happiness, health and good that we get out of it. And although goodness and honor may come to the few, in the majority of cases laurels rest on aching brows, and the battles for which men struggle in the professions are as unsatisfactory as apples of Sodom, when the lips have touched them. The need of the generation is for more young men on the farms, and until the boys realize that there is little hope of decent success elsewhere they will probably continue to starve in ill-ventilated rooms, rather than breathe the free air of heaven in honest labor on the soil.

The cost of a recent foggy day in London was sixty thousand dollars for seventy five million feet of extra gas.

Small pox has nabbed 2016 Cincinnati this year, and still purines its ghastly way unobstructed.

Strikes in Cincinnati have paralyzed the building business. The contracts for dwellings, aggregating one million dollars in value, have been withdrawn.

In the mammoth hotels at Saratoga, carpenters, painters and upholsterers are busy night and day to get things in readiness. An unusually large number of cottages have been built, which are renting at good prices.

The census reports show that there are three million eight hundred thousand farms in the United States, the largest being in California, where the poor man has the least chance of getting ahead in the world, the land being held in large tracts, and the greater portion of it being held by speculators and land monopolies.

The 178 deaf mute boys of the Pennsylvania Institute at Philadelphia broke out in mutiny the other day, and throw the bedding and the furniture around at a lively rate. They could say nothing except with their hands, and these were too busy with the furniture to spend any time on words. A failure in the supply of butter for the table at dinner had started this voiceless war of the crowd.

The Crops.

The past week has been a wonderful one for the wheat, and we do not recollect any similar period in the history of the state for the past quarter of a century when the reports as to this cereal were so uniformly good. From every direction comes the same encouraging news—that the wheat is heading out in fine condition, and that the danger from any trouble with the chinch bugs is virtually over. Kansas wheat crop this year is almost assured; a few more days and we will be out of the woods. Leavenworth Times, May 14.

The Democratic legislature of Kentucky has defeated the bill for equal distribution of the school fund between white and colored schools. The Courier-Kentuckian captures its shortsightedness in so doing.

Ladies' Kid Button Boots, soft, light sole, at

300 Pairs.

To select from. See and price them.

11-45-11

Do not fail to see these fine Kid Boots just received at Decatur's One Price Clothing and Merchant Tailoring House, corner of Old State.

April 20-45-11

Grape Cures for Dropsy and Rheumatism. Precious and chemically pure, the use of Spoor's Pure Grape Wine of New Jersey, and the Wine Bitters of inestimable benefit. Their purity and valuable properties have given them a wide reputation among physicians throughout this country and Europe. This wine took the highest premium at the late Centennial. It is excellent for weary and debilitated families. For sale by W. C. Armstrong.

Men's fine low shoes, all styles, at 15-45-11

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NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

PURELY SENSATIONAL.

The Story About Queen Victoria's Assassination

Political News From Washington.

General News by Telegraph.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—A rumor was circulated to-day which created the greatest excitement about the capital, to the effect that Queen Victoria had been assassinated, and the tidings becoming known on the floor caused a lively stampede of congressmen in search of particulars. The state department was asked for information on the subject, and a reply was received stating that the story was a mere invention of the department, but nothing of a corroborative character had been received. Inquiry at the English legation showed that Minister West had also heard the startling intelligence, and had at once telegraphed to England for particulars. He had not, however, received any official notification of such a deplorable event, and was inclined to treat the matter as a sorry hoax for stock jobbing purposes. The mention of such a calamity showed how strong a feeling of respect and affection exists at the capital of this nation for Queen Victoria, and frequent encomiums were passed to-day for the noble traits exhibited by her when President Garfield was assassinated. Every one deplored such a sudden end to one who is famous in the world's history, and the corridors of the capitol were thronged by an excited crowd, eager to learn all the details of the crime, if one had been committed.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The Grand defense is preparing to ask the supreme court for a writ of habeas corpus for Guiteau, on the grounds that the district court has no jurisdiction, in case the decision is against them, as it now seems it will be. Guiteau is much depressed by the report that the decision of the court is against him. Guiteau's publishers say that not over 100 copies of his book have been sold.

The postmaster general is preparing a schedule for fast mails under the new appropriation. The plan is to have one fast train from New York to San Francisco, and another from Boston to New Orleans.

"Tom" Ochiltree announces himself as an independent candidate for congress in the Galveston district, Texas.

J. Hale Sypher will probably be appointed on the tariff commission as a representative of the sugar interest.

The reports from South Carolina show an excellent condition of the crops. Labor is plentiful, in spite of the alarm some months ago regarding the movement of laborers west.

St. Louis, Mo., May 16.—Ten deacons and prominent members of the Third Baptist church make a statement regarding the scandalous reports about Rev. Dr. Lofton, the chief features of which are, that while they neither admit nor deny the reports, they believe it due to Dr. Lofton, his family and the church of which he is pastor, to say that his moral condition for months has been such that at times he was wholly irresponsible for his acts. He has been threatened with paralysis of the brain, has had several delirious attacks, and was under treatment at the Hot Springs for eight weeks; that he had a sunstroke three years ago, and has been compelled repeatedly to give up his labors until his health could be thoroughly re-established. They further state that he has been a most active and useful pastor, and has led a most exemplary life, and has constantly overworked himself against the protests of this church.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 16.—Attorney General Brewster was in court this morning when the star-route cases came up. The deputy marshal reported that he had been unable to arrest John W. Dorsey, and had no information of his whereabouts. Judge Wylie suggested that perhaps Dorsey was in court, and directed that his name be called.

As the clerk called the name, Mr. Carpenter arose, and, to the surprise of the spectators, said that John W. Dorsey was in court, and had been in the city ten days. He added that it had been Dorsey's intention from the first to attend when wanted. Mr. Dorsey was then arraigned, and pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Merrick said the government was ready to proceed, but stated that the grand jury was now considering Redell's case, and if Redell was not tried with the other defendants it would necessitate another trial of his case.

The hearing was then adjourned until the 25th instant, Judge Wylie reminding the marshal that he was responsible for the person of Dorsey until bail was furnished.

Ex-Postmaster Gen. James was before the grand jury to-day in connection with the star route cases.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The events transpiring in the trial of the star route cases this morning caused a good deal of comment here, and they are looked upon as very unfortunate for the government, to say the least. That numbers of Government officials should have been scouring the country everywhere for Dorsey, and then come into court and say he couldn't be found, and that he should then immediately present himself and demand trial, turns the Government methods into ridicule. It is remarked here that every step in the cases thus far has been a comparative failure, and many fear the result will be very unsatisfactory.

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THOMAS AND NOW.

St. JOSEPH, Mo., May 17, 1881.

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Mrs. THOMAS KELLY.

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WASHINGTON, May 16.—Hon. D. Smith, of Illinois, announces his determination not to be a candidate for re-nomination for congress. He is assured by his republican friends of his district that he can have a re-nomination without any doubt, but having been placed, under the new apportionment, in a district having a majority between 2,000 and 3,000 he declines the empty honor of a nomination without a reasonable prospect of an election. The republican members of the Illinois delegation held a meeting for consultation in relation to the selection of some distinguished citizen of their state, eminently qualified for a place on the tariff commission, and for securing united action in procuring his appointment. The name of General John L. Rinkar, of Carlinville; Hon. Isaac L. Morrison, of Jacksonville; Hon. J. B. Hawley, and ex-Attorney General Edsall, of Chicago; Prof. James, of Bloomington, and others, were named in connection with the position, but the meeting closed without an agreement. Another meeting will be held in a few days for further consultation, at which a decision of the matter will be reached.

A gentleman usually well informed relative to Illinois politics recently arrived here from the Springfield district, says that an opposition, which is likely to become formidable, is being organized to defeat the re-nomination of Springer for congress; that a large element of the democracy of the district think, after having been honored with a seat in congress for so many years, he should give way for some one of the numerous gentlemen who aspire to his place.

St. Louis, May 17.—Yesterday Detectives Woods and Madden, of Chicago, supposed to belong to the Pinkerton Agency, called at the Four Courts for the purpose of identifying the prisoner Harry Gaylord, alias Williams. They claimed to know Detective Hengley O'Neil, and through that gentleman were permitted to enter the jail to see Williams. They wanted to see Williams without his being aware of their presence. The opportunity finally came when Mrs. Williams called to see her husband. Woods had left, but Madden was there, and stood just inside the outer door, while Williams and his wife were conversing at the screen. As soon as he saw the man he said, "That's enough; that is Williams talking to that woman there," and walked out. Madden and Woods both claim to be well acquainted with the Harry Williams wanted over in Illinois, and Madden is positive that the prisoner here is the man.

Mr. O'Neil does not entertain the same opinion, however. He thinks Madden is mistaken. He states that the St. Louis Williams has delivered lectures in Belleville and other places in Illinois, as he has claimed, and when arrested had the manuscript in his possession.

If he had been the man wanted in Illinois the authorities over there would have heard of it, and Williams would have fled.

Madden and Woods will probably go to Jefferson City and endeavor to get the governor's consent to take Williams to Illinois. As the latter has already been sentenced to the penitentiary for five years, on a charge of highway robbery, the governor will be very likely to make sure that Williams is the party wanted over in Illinois for murder before allowing him to leave the state. The real name of the prisoner in the jail is said to be Gaylord.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 16.—A number of students of the State University were out on a spree last night, and being followed by some of the faculty, who proposed to capture and discipline them, started to run. One named Asa Paine, was pursued by Prof. Moore and Pike, and finding he was likely to be caught, he turned and displayed a revolver, whereupon Prof. Pike drew a pistol and fired, the shot taking effect in Paine's thigh. The wound is not serious, but there is a good deal of excitement, as the bad feeling between the faculty and students is of long standing, the latter having been very aggressive. No arrests have been made. Warrants were issued at a late hour to-night for the arrest of Professors Pike and Moore, charging the former with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to do great bodily harm, and the latter with assault and battery.

CINCINNATI, May 16.—The Gazette will print in the morning a long statement, taken from the county records, showing the amount of taxes paid on personal property by the eighteen brewers and 2,000 saloon keepers in the city. It makes out that the brewers pay tax on \$318,000 of personal property, and the 2,000 saloon keepers on \$250,000. These amounts combined do not equal the sum upon which one dry goods house in the city pays.

SHELBYVILLE, ILL., May 16.—Intelligence has just been received of the attempted suicide of Byron Campbell, a young farmer living in the west part of this county. He cut his throat, severing the wind pipe, but fortunately missed the carotid artery. There is a bare possibility of his recovery. Continued ill health is given as the cause of the deed.

McGREGOR, Iowa, May 16.—The crops in Northeastern Iowa are in excellent condition, and farther advanced than they were last year at this time. There is more corn planted than a year ago.

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THE GREAT ALL WOOD CASEMATE—SUIT OF B. STINE, THE BASS, CHICAGO. MAY 16 AT

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NO MORE ANNOYANCE FROM RUSTY LOCKS OR MISSING KEYS.

Affords perfect security for the safe keeping of valuables and private papers in either closets or cash drawers.

Simple in construction, easily handled and cannot get out of order.

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A perfect lock to housekeepers, place in children's drawers and beyond the reach of temptation, and saving the trouble of carrying keys.

The lock can be attached to any drawer by an ordinary mechanic, and while so simple that a child can operate it, it cannot be tampered with or opened by the most expert.

AGENTS WANTED to travel and introduce the Locks. Good pay and pleasant business. Can give agents catalog and sample in the United States. For terms address:

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HAND-MADE Buggy Harness.

Use none but the best material, in complete only the best workmen. I have no stock on hand. I make them from the VERY BEST LEATHER. Have also the best Whips to be had in the market.

J. W. TYLER.

South Side City Park.

May 16—45-11

OPERA HOUSE

ONE NIGHT ONLY.

Thursday, May 18th.

USHERS' BENEFIT.

Will J. Latta, Jno. B. McDonald, Will H. Mizzi.

ROLAND REED,

The Famous Comedian.

In his new play, by Fred Macdonald, entitled "The 'Mystic' and the 'Mystic'."

CHEEK!

the reigning success in the city. Introduced by the famous "Mystic" and the "Mystic."

MISS JENNIE YEAMANS.

THE FAVORITE ARTIST.

New Songs and Incidental Music.

Prices as usual, 25c and 50c.

South side on sale at 10c and 15c.

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FARM FOR SALE

E. O. SMITH

Indications of soil.

PORTION OF HIS FARMING LAND

situated in Macou county, near to the river and the city. The portion is about 100 acres.

GEO. W. BRIGHT,

DEALER IN REAL ESTATE.

O. L. KENDALL, Union City, Mo., wishes to purchase the land.

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BUY A LOT

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161 LOTS

FOR SALE

IN CARVER'S ADDITION.

Having purchased the land of the late Hon. J. C. Carver in Carver's Addition, I offer the lots at reasonable prices. Will apply to

CHAMBERS, BERING & QUIGLAN.

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MADE TO THE STOCK

SECOND SERIES

SAVINGS FUND BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

Series commencing on the

Last Tuesday, 30th day of May,

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IS LARGER THAN EVER.

COME IN AND SEE OUR DISPLAY AND GET OUR PRICES.

It will cost you nothing to look, and if our LOW PRICES DON'T SELL YOU THE GOODS WE WILL NOT TEAR YOUR CLOTHES.

NO GOODS SOLD THAT WE CANNOT WARRANT.

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## Our Special Drive on Watches!

That is a department of our business where we can Save You From 15 to 25 Per Cent.

And give you your choice between ROCKFORD, WALTHAM, ELGIN, HAMPDEN, SPRINGFIELD, HOWARD,

Fine Swiss and Imported Goods.

We are not compelled to talk any particular make of Watch, because it is the only kind we carry, for we CARRY THEM ALL.

## O. E. CURTIS & CO.

LEADING JEWELERS.

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Are receiving Carloads of

SELECT PATTERNS. ELEGANT STYLES.

CARPETS.

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RICH COLORINGS. DURABLE QUALITY.

—AND—

CURTAINS.

Which are being sold at a GREAT BARGAIN.

## An Absolute Fact.

You can buy Dress Goods of S. G. Hatch & Bro. cheaper than any other House in this city.

You can buy Table Linens, Towels, Turkey Reds, Napkins, Crashes, &c., cheaper than elsewhere.

You can buy Cottonades, Cheviots, Jeans, Tweeds, &c., cheaper than you ever saw them.

A special offering of Kentucky Jeans at much less than value.

Special prices on Millinery, Ribbons, Lace, Trimmed and Untrimmed Bonnets and Hats. Now is the best time to buy.

Inspection solicited.

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NO 10 MERCHANT STREET.

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BUGGIES,

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and the Manufacturer of the Celebrated

HAMSHER IRON FELLOE FARM WAGON.

You are cordially invited to visit his factory at any time, and to examine his stock of

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He guarantees to give you the fullest satisfaction, both as to style and quality of work and price.

Factory on Wood street, between South Main and South Water streets.

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Per week, payable to Carrier, 15 Cts.

One year, in advance, \$3.00

Five Months, 1.50

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 17, 1882.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The largest assortment of Lawn Vases in the city at

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co's.

Trim trees and bushes.

CANDIES at the Red Front.

In motion—lawn mowers.

Take \$10 Suits at Stine's. M5-dit

Take time for selling lands and lots for taxes due is rapidly approaching.

The Palace is one of Decatur's first-class hotels. Give it a trial.

The market quotations are a little on the down grade at present.

Give L. L. Ferriss' liquid corn cure a trial.

See Roland Reed in "Check" to-morrow night.

Get nobby rugs and mats at Abel & Locke's.

Stine's \$10 all wool Cassimere Suits. M5-dit

Quize a number of buyers from the country attended the Dodwell stock sale to-day.

Call and see the new upholsterer at Bachman's Furniture House.

April 24-dit

Don't fail to ask for Schroeder's Bohemians when you want the best nickel smokers.

Those Domestic sewing machines are still selling at cost at J. T. Hand & Co's, in Post-office block.

The division changes on the Wabash road have been made. There is one less division by the change.

The popular suits of the season, Stine's \$10 Suits. M5-dit

The members of the grand jury will remain together and finish all business before reaching an adjournment.

Yonina Goodrich, who is charged with having assaulted young Harrison, is still at large.

Those self-acting carpet sweepers, so highly prized by housewives, are on sale at Abel & Locke's.

Especially adapted for mechanics and workmen—the \$10 all wool Suits at Stine's. M5-dit

The average boy is well understood by Dr. Vincent. He's got him down to a fine point.

See new advertisement about the National Combination Drawer Lock in another column.

Call on C. B. Prescott for superior pianos of the Haines Bros' make. They have no equals.

Note change in S. G. Hatch & Bro's advertisement. This firm has a magnificent stock of new goods to which special attention is invited.

The Logan county circuit court has been adjourned till September on account of the difficulty of obtaining a Judge. There are plenty of Judges down this way.

You are invited to visit L. L. Ferriss & Co's double store and look at that mammoth new stock of boots and shoes, recently purchased in Boston.

The coal shaft at Niantic is now down over 200 feet, and everything is moving along nicely. So reports Mr. A. W. Wells, who was in the city to-day.

The Brennenman Bros. have brought two more fine stallions to Macon county. They cost nearly \$5,000 and were purchased in Pennsylvania.

Call at F. W. Niedermeyer's on the mound, when you desire first-class groceries, delivered to any part of the city free of charge.

The criminal docket will be called in court next week. Cases on the common law docket will receive attention again on June 5th.

An enterprising editor has discovered that Jay Gould's income is \$86,400 a day. No wonder Mr. Gould can afford to buy up railroads.

The prayer meetings will be held at the various churches this evening. A full attendance of all members is especially desired.

Lake and river fish, fresh every day, at Frank Hall's North Main street depot. Send orders by telephone. May 6-dit

The students at the Lincoln University were in clover the other night. A sleight-of-hand trickster gave an entertainment in Lincoln, and the students who watched him closely, gave the fellow away badly.

The earnings of the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific for April were \$224,467; increase over corresponding month, 1881, \$59,911; earnings first four months of the year, \$856,701.

Niantic is soon to have a first-class hotel. Mr. Joseph Allison is preparing to branch out in this line, and will be ready to receive and entertain guests inside of ten days.

The People will be ready for trial in the Madison Davis-Laney shooting case at the present term of court. It is not definitely known whether or not the defendant will be ready for trial.

The decorations at the First M. E. church by the ladies of the congregation, in honor of "That Boy" last evening, were made in excellent taste. The blooming plants looked very beautiful.

The Illinois Board of Agriculture reports an improvement in the condition of winter wheat in all sections of the state. No damage has resulted from chinch bugs. The yield promises to be 3 to 5 per cent. better than the average.

Go to Peter Ulrich's and get a bar of that Magnetic Soap; no washboard or boiling of cloth necessary; washing done in one-half the time, and guaranteed not to injure the finest fabric. 13-dit

The Decatur Coffin Company has been incorporated under the state law, with a capital of \$30,000. The incorporators are T. T. Roberts, O. Z. Green and K. H. Roby, all well-known residents of Decatur.

The Ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union will give a strawberry festival at the tabernacle, Thursday night, May 18th. Fresh strawberries, ice cream and excellent cake enough for all who come. A jolly good time is expected, and the ladies guarantee enough to eat. m17-dit

## THEAT BOY.

The Subject of Mr. Vincent's Entertaining and Instructive Lecture Last Evening.

As was generally expected a large audience of Christian people gathered in the audience room at the First Methodist Episcopal church last evening to hear the advertised lecture on "That Boy," by Dr. J. H. Vincent, the noted divine and Sunday school worker, whose home is in New York. The lecture was introduced in a few brief words by the presiding elder, Dr. Davies, and Dr. Vincent, who is a polished speaker and the fortunate possessor of a good voice and pleasing gestures, at once won the fixed attention of his auditors by presenting a familiar picture in which two girls and two boys figured. Then in a brusque, off-hand manner he discussed the average boy as a babe, at four years, at twelve years, at sixteen years, and when he reaches man's estate. The lecture was replete with innumerable laughable anecdotes about boys and their habits, and the writer is assured by those who ought to know that none of the pictures or statements were overdrawn. Dr. Vincent has evidently given the boys much attention. He knows their every habit at their homes, in the streets, in schools, and in places of worship. The boy in relation to the church, the school, and the home, was discussed at considerable length, and while there was considerable in the talk that was of the Mark Twain order, still there was a great deal of the sentiment and innumerable practical lessons presented that cannot fail to bear fruit.

The lecture as a whole was of a most entertaining character. The thoughts were bright and many were new, and all so natural and real, that the audience repeatedly applauded the lecturer as he proceeded. He talked for one hour and twenty-five minutes, closing with a beautiful and touching picture of a boy who, through kindness, was caused to turn from his rowdyish ways and return home to comfort and bless his mother.

Dr. Vincent will return to Champaign to-day, where he will attend the State Sunday School Convention in session there.

65-50 to Chicago and Return.

The Illinois Central railroad company will sell tickets to the Chicago Musical Festival at excursion rates—\$8.50 for the round trip. The sale will commence on Monday, May 22d, at 6:05 A. M., when the train will leave the Union depot. Tickets will be good to return to Decatur on any regular train up to and including May 27th, giving the excursionist four full days in Chicago. The chorus for the Chicago Musical Festival, which will be held in the Exposition building, will include 100 voices, and the orchestra 100 of the best musicians obtainable. The programme for each day will be an evening concert and a matinee. The principal chorals will be given in the evening are as follows:

May 22—Hagood's "Jubilate," and selections from Wagner's "Lohengrin."

May 23—Hagood's "The Messiah," and selections from Wagner's "Lohengrin."

May 24—Hagood's "The Messiah," and selections from Wagner's "Lohengrin."

May 25—Hagood's "The Messiah," and selections from Wagner's "Lohengrin."

May 26—Hagood's "The Messiah," and selections from Wagner's "Lohengrin."

May 27—Hagood's "The Messiah," and selections from Wagner's "Lohengrin."

The season tickets for the festival cost \$12 each. General admission, \$2.00 and \$1.00. may17d5t

A Card.

I wish it to be distinctly understood that Mrs. Miller, who is nursing the small-pox case at the pest house, is not ill with that disease or any other, and all meddlesome persons who are asserting the contrary will please govern themselves accordingly, and cease their vaporing. S. J. BOWSTERN, M. D.

The grand jury yesterday visited the county jail as by law required. They called at the bastille in a body, and went through it on a tour of inspection, and found it clean and neatly kept from basement to garret. The Macon county jail is one of the cleanest in the state, and the jury had no complaint whatever to make.

Our neighboring village of Springfield has three mayors, and it is a question there who has the legal right to make appointments. It was supposed for a while that Decatur had two mayors, but it appears that Mr. Lake has lost all interest in the contest, if indeed he ever had any serious thoughts of bothering Mayor Waggoner and the council with a mandamus proceeding.

The stockholders of the Decatur Driving Association are notified that the new half-mile track, built according to the National rules, one mile north of Decatur, is now ready for the use of members. This drive is one of the finest in the state, and was built under the personal supervision of William Downing and D. W. Brennenman. The season tickets have been issued. The association returns thanks for one. Drive out and give the track a trial.

A Pleasant Affair.

There was a jolly surprise party and birthday celebration at the residence of Frank Myers on South Broadway last night. The party was given in honor of the recurrence of Mr. Myers' birthday anniversary, and also that of his son Frank. There were about 30 couples present. Dancing was the principal feature of the evening, which the Decatur string band furnished the music. A fine supper was discussed.

To Teachers.

The regular monthly examination usually held on the third Friday of each month, is postponed to the Saturday following this day. The sessions of the grand jury are held in the room used for examinations, hence the postponement to Saturday, May 20th.

The Tax Sale.

All lands and town lots on which the taxes are not paid will soon be offered for sale. Pay up now and save further costs.

Wanted.

First-class ladies' clothes ironers at Norman's Steam Laundry. None but the very best need apply. 14-dit

Caution.

The subscriber has invented and obtained a patent for a JONNY FARMER, and hereby gives notice that he will prosecute to the extent of the law all infringers of the same. C. H. OLSON.

May 13, 1882—d1w

The W. C. T. U. meets every Thursday at 3 p. m. in their room over Mrs. Hamsher's store in Central Block. dit

Walking Shoes for \$1.00 at Barber & Baker's. April 15-d&wt

## A Birthday Party.

The day being the first anniversary of the birth of Mrs. H. M. Whitmer, a large number of her friends and neighbors called to see her, and spend the evening at luncheon.

The party was made up of the spacious parlors of the house, and the folding doors that divide them. The time was passed in pleasant conversation until about 9 o'clock, when supper was announced, and about 40 persons sat down to a magnificent banquet, and rose not therefrom until fully satisfied. The party remained until the approach of the small hours, and then adjourned, feeling much edified by their evening's enjoyment. Many of the visitors brought with them handsome presents, as follows:

A handsome easy chair, Mr. H. M. Whitmer; an elegant table, Miss Sophia Harpster; silver cake basket, Edna Whitmer; silver clock, Mrs. W. W. Barnes; silver cake basket, Mrs. Berrie Whitmer; silver cream spoon, Mrs. Stough; silver fruit knife, Miss Flossie Stough; toilet set and bouquet of flowers, Mrs. Charles Harpster; silver under-dress, Miss Mary Lindsay; silver spoon, Mrs. Cora Whitmer; handsome basket, Miss Mary Harpster; a nice collection of house plants, Mrs. B. McGorray; peach-handled pen-knife, Howard Whitmer; handsome collection of cut glasses, Mrs. John Lindsay; silver card receiver and sea shells, Master Frankie Whitmer.

A Wilkin Caught.

Decatur people are somewhat acquainted with A. Wilkin, the St. Louis horse buyer, who created something of a sensation here about a year ago by leaving the city between two days and taking with him a lot of jewelry which H. Post claimed as his property, and which he procured from Wilkin in Chicago. At that time Wilkin was also charged with beating a hotel keeper and several liveries-men out of various sums of money. This same Wilkin put in an appearance in Decatur yesterday. His presence here was telegraphed to Sheriff Gibson at Springfield, who held a state warrant for his arrest on a charge of obtaining money in that city under false pretenses. Upon the order of Gibson, Marshal Hervey and Sheriff Foster took Wilkin in custody and placed him in the county jail. Last evening Wilkin was taken to Springfield by Sheriff Gibson.

THE USELESS BENEFIT NIGHT.

Roland Reed in "Check" at the Opera House.

To-morrow evening the opera house will receive a benefit. They have been attentive and courteous to all, and they deserve a substantial testimonial from the generous amusement-goers, who will certainly help back the hall to-morrow night when the celebrated comedian, Roland Reed, and his star company will appear in the newest comedy, "Check," of which the Chicago News of a recent date said:

Last night was produced at Hooley's Free Men's new comedy drama, entitled "Check," in which the principal part was taken by Mr. Roland Reed. The drama made a decided hit, and the piece met with decided and emphatic approval from a crowded and appreciative house. It too late to give a full synopsis of the plot, which has sufficient of the melodramatic interest to keep the audience on the alert up to the fall of the curtain. In a few words, it may be said that there is a false heir, a stolen will, a pretty girl who is coveted by the rascal of the piece, and who in the ward of an old gentleman eagerly gives up to literary pursuits and the suffering victim of a wife who thinks, acts and determines for him. Dick Smith (Roland Reed) is a sort of Alfred Jingle, who has been anything but square, but who takes the right path inspired by the love of a pretty, hyacinth sort of girl, who is a cross between "Nan, the Good-for-Nothing" and Lotta.

Mr. Reed's support is top crust in every respect. Help give the ushers and "Check" a rousing house. General admission, 25 and 50 cents; reserved seats, 75 cts.

A Generous Gift.

Rev. W. L. Bankson, the well-known pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at the town of Blue Mound, desires the REPUBLICAN to return the hearty thanks of himself and the members of his congregation to Mr. B. Z. Taylor, proprietor of the Decatur Linsed Oil Mill, for a highly-prized gift presented recently by him. It was a barrel of oil from Mr. Taylor's mill, worth about \$40, which is being used in miring the paint to decorate the church building. There is a warm place in the hearts of the pleased pastor and his people for Mr. Taylor, who, if he is not already a Cumberland Presbyterian, will be taken into the fold at the next regular meeting of the society's official board. The vote will be unanimous.

This afternoon the Clark Potter disturbance came up for trial before Justice Corley. City Attorney Hutchinson was present, also two policemen for the prosecution, but Potter did not materialize, though his attorney, Thomas Lee, waited patiently for him to appear. At 2 o'clock the testimony against the accused was heard, but Lee wanted it understood that he appeared for no one in the absence of the defendant. The testimony was pointed and convincing of course. The court will not assess the fine until to-morrow forenoon at 9 o'clock. He desires a little time to pore over the books with reference to this somewhat complicated case.

New and Beautiful Goods.

Mrs. K. Einstein, at No. 28 East Main street, has just received her summer stock of fashionable Millinery Goods. The display is dazzling and complete in every branch, and is well worthy the careful inspection of the most fastidious purchasers in the community. There is also on sale a full line of the very latest Novelties, selected specially for the Decatur trade. Call on Mrs. Einstein when you want new, beautiful and stylish goods. Trimming hats and bonnets a specialty. May 17-d&wt.

The W. C. T. U. will give a strawberry and ice-cream festival at the tabernacle to-morrow night. The ice cream will be of the best and the strawberries the finest in the market. Go early, take your ladies and have a good time. All invited. Admission free.

The assessors of LaSalle county have decided to swear every person assessed, in accordance with law, and that the assessments of lands be reduced at least 20 per cent. of last year's valuation as equalized by the county board, and that town lots be reduced 10 per cent. from last year's valuation.

Attention, Knights Templars.

Regular convocation of Beaumont Commandery, No. 9, Thursday evening, 18th inst., at 8 o'clock sharp. A full attendance requested, as important business will be presented. J. W. HATFIELD, E. C. N. L. KROWE, Rec.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

And now John Caffry says he is in the matrimonial market.

Samuel Sloan favors us with a copy of the Hillsboro, O., Herald of the 13th inst.

Dr. W. P. Buck, of Moawequa, was a guest at the New Deming this morning.

Tony Travy Adams, printer and railroad, arrived in the city this morning from the west.

Mattoon Journal: Dr. Tom Odell, of Decatur, is in this vicinity this week for the purpose of purchasing sheep.

Prof. Wilhelm was leader of the string band at the Frank Myer's surprise party last night.

Speaker Thomas, of the Illinois legislature, will deliver the Decoration Day address at Rockford.

Rev. J. P. Dimmitt departed for Champaign to-day to attend the State Sunday School convention in session there.

Harry Linter has about 20 fine horses in his stables at the foot of South Main street.

Brad Dubois, of Leadville, Colorado, has been in the city for several days, calling upon his numerous friends.

Col. Anderson, who has been doing the editorial writing for the junior morning paper, has taken a vacation for an indefinite period for the benefit of his health.

Mrs. A. W. Wells and Mrs. J. P. Hall, of Niantic; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Scott and John Jones, of Mt. Zion, are among the guests at the St. Nicholas to-day.

Will McNabb is one of the busiest builders and architects in Decatur. Few idle moments for him, particularly at this season of the year.

Annie Louise Cary has sung herself into a nice little fortune of a half million, and sensible girl that she is, has not hired any man to help her spend it.

Hon. John R. Eden, John H. Baker, Joseph R. Tins, and others have incorporated the Sullivan Plow Company, with a capital of \$10,000.

Misses May Rogers, Annie Chambers, Emma Bradshaw, Jennie Rogers, Ida Burrows and Nellie Durfee will leave for Bloomington this afternoon to attend the meeting of the Central Illinois Art Union.

Gov. St. John, of Kansas, will speak in Shelbyville Saturday, at 2 o'clock p. m. The address will be on the question of prohibition, and will be delivered in the old seminary grounds where all can hear.

Mr. and Mrs. Heisen and Mrs. Elizabeth Wood have arrived in the city from York, Pa. They are the guests of D. A. Moffit and family. Mr. Heisen is a delegate to the national meeting of the Presbyterians in session at Springfield this week.

A Crack Shot Shot.

A copy of the Troy (N. Y.) Daily Times, of May 13th, furnished us by Mr. R. Deming, contains the following item of local interest:

Capt. A. H. Bogardus, the noted dead shot, who with his son accompanied a circus, suffered a bad wound at Amsterdam Thursday during the circus performance. His five-year-old son, Henry, was shooting glass balls from his father's fingers. The weather was cold and stormy, and the child's fingers were numb. In raising his rifle he accidentally pressed the trigger before taking aim. The 32-calibre ball struck Capt. Bogardus in the lower left thumb joint, close to the hand, crushing the bone in a fearful manner, but nevertheless he went on with the shooting as usual, and then summoned a surgeon.

This forenoon a REPUBLICAN representative was present at the commencement of the Dodwell sale of stock at the family residence on East Eldorado street, but up to noon only small articles were sold. The stock will be sold this afternoon. The bidding will be lively, as there are a large number of buyers present.

Have you seen Monte Boar's latest caricature? It can be seen in the post office lobby, where it advertises the ushers' benefit at the opera house to-morrow night. The pictures of Leiby, Muzzy and McDonald are as natural as life, and they can easily be distinguished by those with whom they are acquainted. See "Check" to-morrow evening.

DIED.

In this city on Wednesday, May 17, 1882, of dropsy, JEREMIAH LARBY, aged 83 years.

The deceased was an Irishman, leaves a widow and one son, and lived near the school house in the first ward. The funeral will occur on Thursday.

LIST OF LETTERS Remaining in the Post Office at Decatur, Macon County, Ill., for week ending May 17, '82.

Brown J. H. Lyons Miss Sadie

Brown Miss L. A. Murray Peter

Brown Mrs. Mary Martin Mrs. Sallie

Cox James Mylotte Mrs. F.

Coyne Wm. McGinnis John

Fisher C. H. Quinn Miss Ella

Frederick B. F. Quinlan Miss Ella

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